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Attention: Ms. Sharon Jaffess
Remedial Project Manager

Subject: August 1999 -Newark Bay Estuary Sediment Sampling

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Dear Ms. Jaffess:

The purpose of this letter is to point out a typographical error in my letter to you dated February 29, 2000, which transmitted un-validated data from the above referenced sampling event. The last sentence of the third paragraph of that letter indicated that "2,3,7,8- TCDD was detected in all but one sample, typically in the parts per thousand range (ND - 810 ppt) in surface sediments.", which is not the case. 2,3,7,8-TCDD was detected in the parts per trillion range, not the parts per thousand range.

I apologize for any inconvenience this typographical error may have caused you. Please feel free to call me if you have any questions regarding this data set.

Sincerely,



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on Behalf of Occidental Chemical Corporation
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